

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 1282
OFFERED BY MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Major Richard Star
3 Act”.

**4 SEC. 2. EXPANSIONS OF ELIGIBILITY TO CERTAIN MILI-
5 TARY RETIREES FOR CONCURRENT RECEIPT
6 OF VETERANS’ DISABILITY COMPENSATION
7 AND RETIRED PAY OR COMBAT-RELATED
8 SPECIAL COMPENSATION.**

9 (a) INCLUSION OF CHAPTER 61 DISABILITY RETIR-
10 EES WITH FEWER THAN 20 YEARS OF SERVICE WHO
11 ARE ELIGIBLE FOR COMBAT-RELATED SPECIAL COM-
12 PENSATION.—Section 1413a(b)(3) of title 10, United
13 States Code, is amended—

14 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “In” and
15 inserting “Subject to subparagraph (B), in”; and

16 (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “In the
17 case of” and all that follows and inserting “The re-
18 tired pay of an eligible combat-related disabled uni-

1 formed services retiree, who is retired under chapter
2 61 of this title with fewer than 20 years of cred-
3 itable service, is not subject to reduction under sec-
4 tions 5304 and 5305 of title 38.”.

5 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

6 (1) SECTION HEADING.—The heading of section
7 1414 of such title is amended to read as follows:

8 **“§ 1414. Members eligible for retired pay who are also**
9 **eligible for veterans’ disability compensa-**
10 **tion: concurrent receipt”.**

11 (2) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—The item relating to
12 such section 1414 in the table of sections at the be-
13 ginning of chapter 71 of such title is amended to
14 read as follows:

 “1414. Members eligible for retired pay who are also eligible for veterans’ dis-
 ability compensation: concurrent receipt.”.

15 (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS REFLECTING
16 END OF CONCURRENT RECEIPT PHASE-IN PERIOD.—

17 Such section 1414 is further amended—

18 (A) in subsection (a)(1)—

19 (i) by striking the second sentence;

20 and

21 (ii) by striking subparagraphs (A) and

22 (B);

1 (B) by striking subsection (e) and redesignig-
2 nating subsections (d) and (e) as subsections
3 (e) and (d), respectively; and

4 (C) in subsection (d), as redesignated, by
5 striking paragraphs (3) and (4).

6 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
7 this section shall take effect on the first day of the first
8 month beginning after the date of the enactment of this
9 Act and shall apply to payments for months beginning on
10 or after such date.

